

ZONING AND BUILDING AGENDA

JANUARY 4, 2001

THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDATION:

* Item No. 175850 was previously approved on March 4, 1992.

175850 DOCKET #5595 - MARY MORRIS Owner, 321 129th Street, Lemont, Illinois, 60439. Seeking a SPECIAL USE FOR UNIQUE USE for the continued operation of an excavating business and two rental units for a five year period In the R-4 Single Family Residence District. The property consists of approximately 2.53 acres, located approximately 1650 feet East of State Street, on the North side of 129th Street. **PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATION:** That the Special Use for Unique Use application be granted for five years (until March 3, 1997), and extended yearly upon written request for review.

RECOMMENDATION: That a final six month extension from December 31, 2000, thru June 30, 2001, be granted to Morris Excavating, Inc. to relocate their current business.

On March 4, 1992, the County Board enacted an Ordinance granting the application in accordance with "The Findings and Recommendations of the Zoning Board of Appeals". The initial five years expired March 3, 1997. The operators of the excavating business failed to make any request for an extension until July 21, 1999. On that date, at a regularly scheduled public hearing, the Zoning Board of Appeals took testimony from the applicant and Scott Buening, Community Development Director for the Village of Lemont. After considering the testimony, the Zoning Board of Appeals recommended to the County Board that **an extension thru December 31, 2000,** be granted. On August 4, 1999, the County Board granted that extension.

The Zoning Board of Appeals received a letter dated November 1, 2000, from James Morris of Morris Excavating Inc., stating that they had purchased property to relocate the business and are in the process of constructing a new building at 29 Forestwood Ct., Romeoville, Illinois. They are striving to meet the December 31st deadline, but would like to be granted a six-month extension in case of any foreseen events that may delay the move.

*The next regularly scheduled meeting is presently set for Tuesday, January 23, 2001.